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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(d)

Sir:

The Examiner's attention is directed to the prior art identified on attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of this prior art are attached. The Examiner is requested to consider these additional prior art documents, and to officially make them of record herein.

All of these newly identified prior art documents first came to Applicants' attention within three months prior to the submission date hereof, and in particular were brought to Applicants' attention as a result of a communication received from the European Patent Office on or about 27 December 2004, which communication relates to a corresponding or counterpart European application. More specifically, these prior art documents were identified as a result of oppositions recently

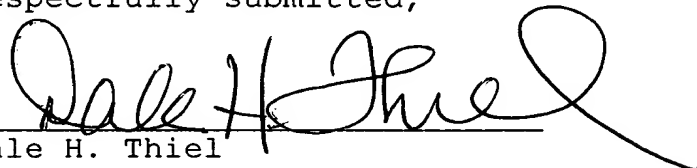
filed against Applicants' corresponding European Patent
EP 1 095 270.

A check in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed as payment
for the fee required by 37 CFR \$1.17(p). The Commissioner is
hereby authorized to charge payment of the above-referenced
fee associated with this communication or to credit any
overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1382. A duplicate copy
of this sheet is enclosed.

Since all of the requirements of 37 CFR \$1.97(d) are
hereby complied with, the Examiner's consideration of the
references identified on attached form PTO-1449 is
respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pages, Etc.)

AR	Brecht, A. and R. Abuknesha, "Multi-analyte immunoassays application to environmental analysis", trends in analytical chemistry, Vol. 14, No. 7, 1995, pages 361-371
AS	Patton, Wayne F., "Biologist's perspective on analytical imaging systems as applied to protein gel electrophoresis", Journal of Chromatography A, 698 (1995), pages 55-87

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